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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) had decided to give more time to physically challenged students taking the Board Exams i.e. Xth and XIIth examinations from this Session;

(b) if so, the details in this regard; and

(c) the other steps taken by the CBSE to help the blind and physically challenged persons?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A. FATMI)

(a)&(b) : As per information furnished by the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE), the Board has been allowing an additional one hour time for each paper to the physically challenged students in both class X and XII examinations.

(c) : The CBSE has provided the following additional facilities for the visually impaired and physically handicapped students:-

(i) Facility of a writer in the examination, if requested for.

(ii) For the secondary examination, spastic candidates and candidates with visual and hearing impairment have the option of studying one compulsory language as against two. Options are also provided in lieu of Mathematics. Besides one language, any four of the following subjects may be offered to such candidates:-

" Mathematics, Science & Technology, Social Science, another language, Music, Painting, Home Science and Introductory Information Technology".

(iii) Alternative questions in lieu of questions having visual input are being provided in Mathematics, Science & Technology, Social Science and English Communicative for class X.

(iv) Alternative questions in lieu of questions having visual input are being provided in History, Geography and Economics for class XII.

(v) Separate question papers in enlarged print for the visually impaired candidates are provided in Mathematics and Science & Technology at class X level.

(vi) Centre Superintendents are required to make seating arrangements for the conduct of examination on the ground floor, as far as possible.

(vii) Answer books of such candidates are evaluated separately.

(viii) Special examination centres are created to facilitate the disabled children.